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FOR THE SUBSEQUENT INTRODUCTION OF AN ELECTRIC CABLE

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A copy of each of the references is submitted herewith along with Form PTO-1449.

The enclosed references were cited in the International Search Report of Applicant's corresponding international application, No. PCT/CH2003/000433, filed under the provisions of the Patent Cooperation Treaty (a copy of the International Search Report being concurrently filed herewith), or otherwise known to Applicant.

The accompanying references relate generally to cable line feeders, etc., generally known to the prior art.

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